

Soldier Hollow Summer Biathlon a Success

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Soldier Hollow of Wasatch Mountain State Park played host to another exciting Olympic event this past weekend.

The summer biathlon, which is a practice for most elite athletes, included 27 novice athletes from around the Nation.

The novice athletes got the chance to run on some of the exact courses the Olympians use during their events, plus they got to shoot the same .22 caliber rifles the athletes use. The elite athletes had to shoot in the prone and standing positions, while the novice shot twice in the prone position.

The elite group of men went out in two heats and the elite women all started together. The elite group consisted of Olympians who have been training since the season ended and will be back at Soldier Hollow in January and February for Worlds.

Lawton Redman of Florence, VT. won the elite men's division. For the elite women, Debbie Schutlz of Sun Valley, Idaho won the event.

To many of the novice racers, it didn't matter if they placed, it was just a chance for them to race on an Olympic course and participate in an exciting event that was held in their own back yard.



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A member of the Olympic biathlon team takes aim at the target used during the biathlon. Many came out to participate in this event and to shoot a .22 caliber rifle. Mike Richardson, who participated in the novice group, was the only novice to shoot clean on both the targets.

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Steve Young Retires and Joins Salt Lake Olympics

SALT LAKE CITY- Playing in the NFL will be a hard act to follow but Steve Young is taking his passion for sport to the Olympic Winter Games of 2002.

His latest assignment as SLOC Ambassador-at-Large is to be one of the hosts at the Olympic Medals Plaza. From February 8th to February 24th, the plaza will be a nightly gathering place for celebrating Olympic athletes. From the plaza, the world will turn to see 477 medals awarded, concerts, and fireworks. Attendance will be approximately 30,000 with a world wide television audience of millions.

"I watched Steve's announcement with decidedly mixed emotions. His spirit has lifted the entire NFL and its fans. While he will be greatly missed in the football arena, the Salt Lake Olympics welcomes him as an Ambassador-at-Large," said Mitt Romney, President and CEO of SLOC. "Steve's brand of leadership, integrity, and enthusiasm for sport will be an integral part of the success of these games. He will motivate all of us with his enormous vitality for America's team."

As Ambassador-at-Large, Steve Young's role with SLOC will include the following:

1. Volunteer Chairperson for the Olympic Medals Plaza:

- * Host for the nightly celebration at the Plaza in downtown Salt Lake City.

- * Community liaison for public awareness, education, and involvement.

- * Assisting in protocol with visiting national Olympic Committees and International Federations of sport.

2. Salt Lake 2002 Ambassador:

- * Assist SLOC President and CEO Mitt Romney in the identification and solicitation of funds and resources, from individuals and corporations, to support the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and America's Olympic Athletes.

3. Team 2002 Volunteer Chairperson:

- * Assist SLOC in recruiting the 26,000 person volunteers needed for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and Paralympic Winter Games.

- * Work closely with SLOC in all facets of the Team 2002 program including volunteer recognition, retention, training, communications, and recruitment.

Kids will have fun being kids at this camp that includes five themes: Outdoor Adventure, Olympics, swimming, tennis, and golf. Educational activities will include scavenger hunts, teamwork projects, using maps, origami, art projects, and others. The camp begins June 14th and runs for 10 weeks. It is open to hotel guests, employees, and locals with children ages 7-12. It will run Wednesday-Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 per session, employees and locals must commit to four days; each session includes lunch, T-shirt, and a weekly field trip.

Aerobic Instructor Needed

Wasatch County Parks and Recreation is in need of an Aerobic Instructor for the Tuesday and Thursday evening classes. Class is from 7:00-8:00 p.m. and is held in the gym of the Recreation center at the Old North School. Experience preferred, certification also preferred but not necessary. Anyone interested in applying can contact Amaria Scovil at 657-2304, or stop by the Recreation Office, at 101 East 200 North.

Tennis Lesson For All Ages

The Utah Tennis Association and Wasatch County Parks and Recreation are sponsoring a Tennis Clinic for all ages. Once at the courts, all participants will be divided into groups according to age and ability level. The free lesson will be Tuesday, June 6th, from 6:00-7:30 p.m., at the High School tennis courts. Everyone can participate in the free lesson only, or for just \$15, they can attend the entire tennis clinic that will be held June 13th, 20th, and 27th (every Tuesday in June) from 6-7:30 p.m. The lessons are taught by Tennis pro Warren Pretorius and other pros from the United States Tennis Association. Take advantage of this great opportunity to improve your tennis game with a friend or with your kids! Rackets are available. Call or come in to the Recreation Office to register, 101 East 200 North in Heber.

Fly Tying Classes

Fly tying classes will be held every Tuesday for five weeks, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The classes will begin on May 2nd. The class is for beginners and intermediates and is taught by John Peck and the cost \$15. Call the Wasatch County Parks and Recreation at 657-2304 if interested.

Free Aerobics Classes

Community Aerobics is one year old! To celebrate we are giving away a free punch card (\$20 value) every Saturday in June. You must be present to win. Classes are held at the Recreation Building 101 East 200 North on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:00-9:00 a.m. On Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 5:30-6:30 a.m., and on Saturday from 7:00-8:00 a.m. The cost is \$2 per class. Childcare is available for the Mon., Wed., and Fri. classes. Our evening classes have been canceled temporarily until an instructor can be hired. If interested in teaching aerobics, or if you have any questions call 657-2304 for information.

Ceramics Classes

Ceramic classes will be held every Monday, from 3:00-4:30 p.m., starting June 5th and running through July. You can make great pieces to display or to enter in the County Fair. Pay for the projects as you go. No pre-registration is necessary.

Call Tom, Amaria, or Helen at the Wasatch County Recreation Department at 657-2304 for information on any of the programs and events listed above.

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